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MTS'S GET NEW TRACTORS;  
METAL INDUSTRY OUTPUT RISES

## 120 TRACTORS DELIVERED IN APRIL -- Szabad Szó, No 120, 25 May 49

The Allami Mezggazdasagi Gepizem (State Agriculture Machine Works) supplied the MTSs with 120 new tractors during April. Tilling of the soil will be modernized with the 183 bucklers, 220 heavy harrows 340 light harrows, and 160 sowing machines which have also been distributed to the MTSs. This mechanization required an investment of 17 million forints.

Five new MTSs were established during May. Transportation of farm products will be facilitated by 38 trucks and other equipment supplied to the machine tractor stations.

## TRACTOR OUTPUT UP -- Szabad Szó, No 122, 27 May 49

Last year, during a 12-month period, the Hofherr factory produced 978 tractors. In the first 20 weeks of 1949, the output was 825 tractors. This is a weekly production of 41 tractors as compared with 18 for last year.

The plant has also completed the first model of a new Diesel tractor. A few more will be built and tested before large-scale production is begun.

## LOCK AND BOLT PRODUCTION UP -- Szabad Nep, 31 May 49

The lock and bolt industry has expanded significantly. Production has been increased to such an extent that 60 percent of the output now is available for export. By the end of the Five-Year Plan, the industry will fulfill domestic requirements of 34 million forints and make 34 million forints' worth of production available for export. According to the most recent trade agreement with the USSR, 300,000 auto locks will be exported to that country.

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ALUMINUM OUTPUT SHOWS INCREASE - Kis Ujság, 28 May 49

In 1938 the annual aluminum production was 1,500 tons. In the first year of the three-year plan, the output was increased to 7,500 tons. This resulted in a monthly average of 625 tons. The estimated production for the last year of the three-year plan is 12,400 tons. By 1954, aluminum production will be 26,000 tons per year.

A new aluminum foundry and rolling mill will be built, and new bauxite mines will be opened. By next year a new mine will be put into operation at Szocs, in Zala county, at a cost of 1,500,000 forints. Output is expected to be approximately a half million tons of ore.

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